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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003. In this regard, Applicant notes that JP-A-2002-268217 is a document that was cited in an Office Action issued in JPA No. 2003-44090, a Japanese patent application corresponding to co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/782,852, and JP-A-9-134011 is a document that was cited in an Office Action issued in JPA No. 2003-44093, a Japanese patent application corresponding to co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/781,645.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (without a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)) after the later of three months from the application's filing date and the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (whichever is

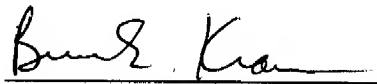
earlier), and therefore Applicant is submitting the statutory fee of \$180.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations: The submission of an English language abstract for each of JP-A-2002-268217 and JP-A-9-134011 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP-A-2002-268217 and JP-A-9-134011.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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